

Amendments to the Claims

1. *(Original)* A method for the exchange of personal information in a step-by-step fashion in non-trusted peer-to-peer environments, characterized in that the information is segmented into several independent sections, which are mutually exchanged step by step between at least two communication partners.

2. *(Original)* A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the information is converted into a graphics display before segmentation and transmission.

3. *(Currently Amended)* A method as claimed in ~~claim 1 or 2~~claim 1, characterized in that the segmentation and the exchange of information take place in such a way that each information unit provides for itself an information contribution recognizable to the user.

4. *(Original)* A method as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the graphics display of the information is divided into rows and columns, so that a matrix of n x m-fields is formed.

5. *(Original)* A method as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the grid of the matrix is agreed upon by the communication partners before segmentation of the information.

6. *(Original)* A method as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the grid of the matrix is standardized.

7. *(Currently Amended)* A method as claimed in ~~any one of the claims 4 to 6~~claim 4, characterized in that each information fragment has its position in the matrix attached to it.

8. *(Currently Amended)* A method as claimed in ~~any one of the claims +~~
~~to 7~~claim 1, characterized in that the information exchange can be aborted by either
partner at any time.

9. *(Currently Amended)* A method as claimed in ~~any one of the claims +~~
~~to 8~~claim 1, characterized in that always the information sections not yet transmitted
can be transmitted in one step at any time.